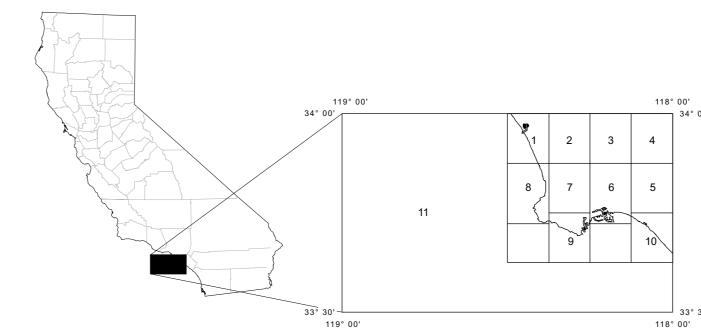
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DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

fine- to coarse-grained sand.

Locally may include older alluvium.

platy white siltstone.

Consisting of:

Old marine deposits, undivided (late to middle Pleistocene)

- Poorly consolidated marine deposits. Composed mostly of

Old paralic deposits, undivided (late to middle Pleistocene)

- Mostly poorly sorted, moderately permeable, reddish-brown,

interfingered strandline, beach, estuarine and colluvial deposits

composed of siltstone, sandstone, and conglomerate. These

deposits rest on the now emergent wave cut abrasion platforms

preserved by regional uplift (a = sand, s = silt, c = clay).

SEDIMENTARY AND VOLCANIC BEDROCK UNITS

San Pedro Formation (early Pleistocene) -

La Habra Formation, undivided (late Pleistocene)

Siltstone, thick-bedded friable sandstone, pebbly sandstone,

and pebble-cobble conglomerate; locally abundant clasts of

San Pedro Formation, undivided - Poorly consolidated

fine- to coarse-grained sand and silty sand interbedded with

thin beds and lenses of gravel. Marine. Also includes fluvial

sand and gravel with local beds of clavey-silt in the Baldwin

Timms Point Silt Member - Dense sandy silt and silty sand.

Lomita Marl Member - Marl and calcareous sand and

Inglewood Formation (lower Pleistocene) - Well-bedded siltstone with interlayered beds of very fine-grained sandstone;

locally abundant calcareous and limonitic concretions. Marine.

Fernando Formation (Pliocene and Pleistocene) -

Upper Member - Massive friable silty and pebbly sandstone

interbedded with thin beds of siltstone, massive pebble

conglomerate at base; locally abundant angular chips of platy

Lower Member - Massive silty sandstone with interbedded

pebbly sandstone and conglomerate. Basal conglomerate

contains locally abundant angular chips of platy white

siltstone. Tflc = conglomerate and sandstone interbedded

with Tfl. Includes rocks mapped as Repetto in the Torrance

Sycamore Canyon Member - Sandstone with interbedded

pebble-cobble conglomerate and sandy siltstone. Tpscc =

pebble-cobble conglomerate and pebbly sandstone

Yorba Member - Platy diatomaceous siltstone with

Soquel Member - Thick-bedded to massive graded

sandstone and siltstone; local lenses of pebble-cobble

La Vida Member - Laminated to platy siltstone with

interbedded pebbly sandstone; limestone and altered tuff

Monterey Formation (middle and upper Miocene) -

Malaga Mudstone Member - Radiolarian mudstone and

Valmonte Diatomite Member - Diatomaceous shale,

mudstone, and diatomite with beds and lenses of hard,

resistant silicified limestone and shale and resistant zones of

Altamira Shale Member - Siliceous shale, silty and sandy

shale, cherty shale, chert, siltstone, bituminous shale

diatomaceous shale, diatomite, phosphatic shale, tuffaceous

shale, limestone, sandstone, conglomerate, breccia, and

Volcanic rocks within the Monterey Formation (middle

Miocene) - Consists of basalt, andesite, volcanic breccia, and

Catalina Schist (pre- late Cretaceous) - Consists of quartz-

chlorite schist, quartz-sericite schist, and quartz-glaucophane

white siltstone. Locally contains limy concretions.

quadrangle by Woodring and others, 1946.

interbeds of sandstone, limestone and marl.

interbedded with Tpsc.

conglomerate in upper part

silicified limestone and shale.

tuff breccia mainly or completely intrusive.

beds in lower portion.

Constisting of:

chert.

schist.

mcs

Puente Formation (upper Miocene) - Consisting of:

(Onshore Region)

MODERN SURFICIAL DEPOSITS - Sediment that has been recently transported and deposited in channel and washes, on surfaces of alluvial fans and alluvial plains, and on hill slopes and in artificial fills. Soil-profile development is non-existent. Includes:

- Artificial fill (late Holocene) Deposits of fill resulting from human construction, mining, or quarrying activities; includes engineered and non engineered fill. Some large deposits are mapped, but in some areas no deposits are shown.
- Active channel and wash deposits (late Holocene) -Unconsolidated deposits of silt, sand, and gravel, mostly artificially channelized.
- Alluvial flood plain deposits (late Holocene) Active and recently active alluvial deposits along canyon floors. Consists of unconsolidated sandy, silty, or clay-bearing alluvium.
- Landslide deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene) Highly fragmented to largely coherent landslide deposits. Unconsolidated to moderately well consolidated. Most mapped landslides contain scarp area as well as slide deposit. In some areas scarp is shown separately with hatchers. Many Pleistocene age landslides were reactivated in part or entirely during late Holocene. The preponderance of the landslides in the quadrangle have occurred within the Capistrano Formation, however, there are many within the Monterey and Santiago Formations as well.
- Beach deposits (late Holocene) Unconsolidated beach deposits consisting mostly of well-sorted fine- to coarsegrained sand. Locally may include talus.
- Eolian deposits (late Holocene) Unconsolidated eolian deposits. Composed mostly of very well-sorted fine- to medium-grained sand. Gradational into older eolian deposits.
- Paralic estuarine deposits (late Holocene) Unconsolidated estuarine deposits. Composed mostly of loose to moderately dense fine-grained sand, silt, and clay.

YOUNG SURFICIAL DEPOSITS—Sedimentary units that are slightly consolidated to cemented and slightly to moderately dissected. Alluvial fan deposits typically have high coarse-fine clast ratios. Young surficial units have upper surfaces that are capped by slight to moderately developed pedogenic-soil profiles. Includes:

- Young alluvial fan and valley deposits, undivided (Holocene and late Pleistocene) - Mostly poorly consolidated and poorly sorted clay, sand, gravel and cobble alluvial fan and valley deposits.
- Young alluvial fan deposits, unit 2 (Holocene and late Pleistocene) - Four distinct, gently sloping fan-shaped deposits overlying unit 1. Composed mostly of poorly to moderately consolidated and poorly sorted clay, silty clay and
- Young alluvial fan deposits, unit 1 (Holocene and late **Pleistocene)** - Gently sloping, slightly dissected alluvial fan deposits. Composed mostly of poorly to moderately consolidated and poorly sorted silty clay and sand.
- Young alluvial flood plain deposits (Holocene and late Pleistocene) - Mostly poorly consolidated, poorly sorted, permeable alluvial flood plain deposits. Composed mostly of soft clay, silt and loose to moderately dense sand and silty
- Young eolian deposits (Holocene and late Pleistocene) -Unconsolidated eolian deposits. Composed mostly of fineand medium-grained sand.
- Young paralic estuarine deposits (Holocene and late Pleistocene) - Unconsolidated estuarine deposits. Composed mostly of fine-grained sand and clay.

OLD SURFICIAL DEPOSITS - Sediments that are moderately consolidated and slightly to moderately dissected. Older surficial deposits have upper surfaces that are capped by moderate to well-developed pedogenic soils. Includes:

- Old alluvial fan and valley deposits, undivided (late to middle Pleistocene) - Mostly moderately to wellconsolidated, moderately sorted sand, clay, and silt.
- Old alluvial flood plain deposits, undivided (late to middle **Pleistocene)** - Fluvial sediments deposited on canyon floors. Consists of moderately well consolidated, poorly sorted, permeable, commonly slightly dissected gravel, sand, silt, and clay-bearing alluvium. Includes Reddish brown, wellcemented resistant pebbly and gravelly silty sand in the Baldwin Hills and stream terrace deposits in the Torrance
- Old eolian deposits (late to middle Pleistocene) Poorly consolidated eolian deposits. Composed mostly of dense to very dense well-sorted fine- to coarse-grained sand and silty

quadrangle.

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(Offshore Region)

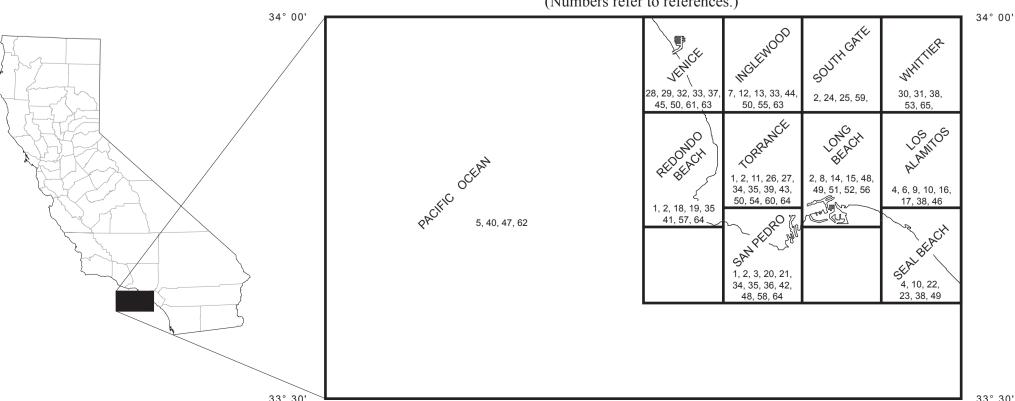
- Unconsolidated shelf sediment (late Holocene) Deposits of
- mostly unconsolidated sand and silt on the shelf. Unconsolidated flank sediment (late Holocene) - Deposits of
- Unconsolidated basin sediment (late Holocene) Deposits of mostly mud on the basin floor.

mostly mud on the slope.

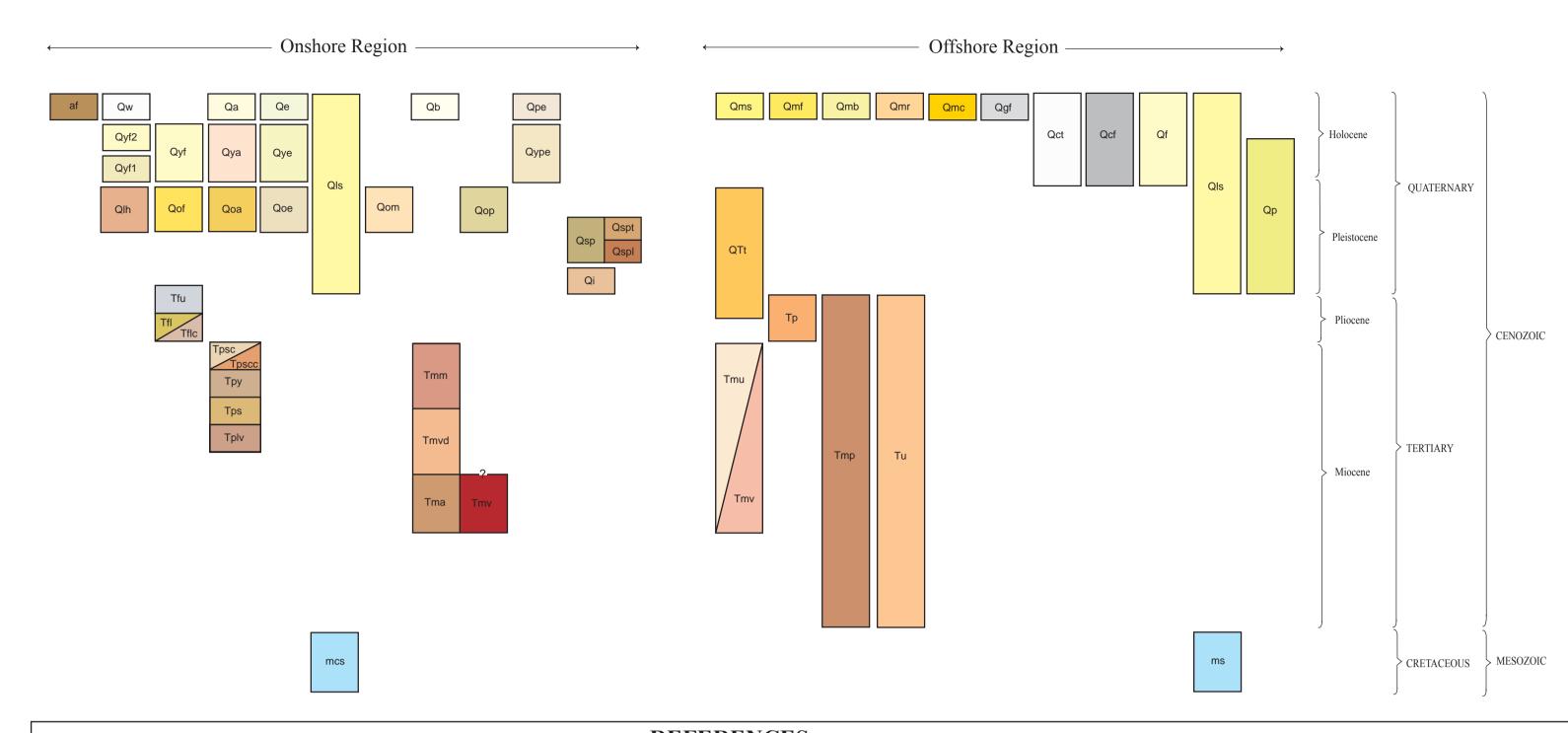
- Unconsolidated ridge sediment (late Holocene) Deposits of mostly mud on the ridge.
- Unconsolidated canyon sediment (late Holocene) Deposits of mostly mud on the canyon walls.
- Canyon terrace (Holocene and Pleistocene) Deposits of mixed gravel, sand, and mud on canyon formed terrace.
- Canyon fill (Holocene and Pleistocene) Deposits of mixed gravel, sand, and mud on the canyon floor.
- Gully fill (late Holocene) Deposits of mostly mud in gully.
- Fan deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene) Deposits of gravel, sand, and mud at base of slope at mouths of submarine canyons and gullies.
- Landslide deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene) Highly fragmented to largely coherent landslide deposits. Unconsolidated to moderately well consolidated. Most mapped landslides include scarp area as well as slide deposit. In some areas scarp is shown separately with pattern. Preponderance of landslides found in submarine canyons and on steep slopes.
- Pleistocene sedimentary deposits, undivided (Pleistocene) -Deposits of mostly unconsolidated sand in nearshore areas of continental shelf.
- Plio-Pleistocene terrace deposits (Pliocene and Pleistocene) -Deposits of unconsolidated gravel and sand on low-stand erosional platforms.
- Pliocene sedimentary rocks, undivided* (Pliocene) -Sandstone and siltstone, heavily gullied where mapped on the
- Miocene-Pliocene rocks, undivided* Plutonic and hypabyssal rocks found on the outer banks.
- Tertiary sedimentary and volcanic rocks, undivided* (Tertiary) - Sandstone, mudstone, and volcanic rocks found on
- Miocene sedimentary rocks, undivided* (middle and upper **Miocene)** - Mostly diatomaceous mudstones of the Monterey
- Miocene volcanic rocks* (middle and upper Miocene) Mostly within the Monterey Formation.
- Metamorphic rocks of pre-Late Cretaceous age* (Jurassic -**Cretaceous) -** Mainly Franciscan Complex.
 - * Q/= Map unit overlain by more than 3 meters of unconsolidated Quaternary sediment

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